GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department – Allegation on creating dispute in payment of bills in Gram Panchayat of Vithalapuram Village, Thaluru Mandal, Prakasam District in between two Writ Petitioners–Disciplinary proceedings against Sri Ravuri Venkata Subbaiah, Assistant Engineer (PR), Darsi, Prakasam District – Placed under suspension- Charge not held proved–Reinstated into service and further action dropped- Regularization of suspension period w.e.f 11.05.2022 to 24.05.2023 as on duty under FR-54-(B)(3) & (4) - Orders - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG. II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 613 **Dated: 04-11-2024**

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.409, PR&RD (Vig. II) Department, Dt: 27.04.2022.
2. G.O.Rt.No.410, PR&RD (Vig. II) Department, Dt: 27.04.2022.
3. From the ENC, PR, Letter No. Vig. III (1)/1657/2022, dt: 13.06.2022.
4. G.O.Rt.No.874, PR&RD (Vig. II) Dept., dt: 28.10.2022.
5. From the SE, PR, Ongole & Inquiry Officer, Letter Rc. No. A3/Estt./AE/AEEs/2010, dt: 28.12.2022 & 03.01.2023.
6. Govt. Memo No. 1709178/Vig. II/2022-4, PR&RD (Vig. II) Dept., Dated: 25.02.2023.
7. From Sri R.V. Subbaiah, Asst. Engineer (PR) (u/s), representation, dt: 25.02.2023.
8. G.O.Rt.NO.271, PR&RD (Vig. II) Dept. Dated: 09.05.2023.
9. G.O.Rt.NO.466, PR&RD (Vig. II) Dept., Dated: 09.08.2023.
10. From the ENC, PR, Letter No. Vig. III (1)/1657/2022, dt: 30.05.2024.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Government placed Sri Ravuri Venkata Subbaiah, the then Assistant Engineer, PR, Darsi Mandal, Prakasam District under suspension on the allegation of creating dispute in payment of bills in Grama Panchayat of Vithalapuram Village, Thaluru Mandal, Prakasam District in between two Writ Petitioners, resulting in arising of legal complications in WP No. 25273/2021.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, charges were framed against the individual on the above issue with a direction to submit his written statement of defence.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, has furnished the written statement of defence of Sri R.V.

Subbaiah, the then Assistant Engineer (Panchayat Raj) (under suspension) dt:11.05.2022. After examining the matter, the Government vide reference 4th read above, have appointed the Superintending Engineer, PR, Ongole, Prakasam District as Inquiry Officer under Rule 20(2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 to inquire into the charges framed against the charged officer, since the written statement of defence of charged officer is found not convincing, among others.

4. In the reference 5th read above, the Superintending Engineer, PR, Ongole, Prakasam District and Inquiry Officer has furnished inquiry report dt: 28.12.2022 and further report dt: 03.01.2023, wherein the Inquiry Officer has held that, charge framed against the charged officer Sri R.V. Subbaiah, the then Assistant Engineer (PR) is not held proved. Copy of the inquiry report was communicated to the Charged Officer as per Rule 21(2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 for his representation, if any on the inquiry report, vide reference 6th read above. The charged officer has submitted his representation in the reference 7th read above and requested to drop further action against him and to reinstate him into service, as the charge is not held proved against him.

5. The Government after review of the suspension case on 28.04.2023 agreed for reinstatement and accordingly, in the reference 8th read above, have revoked the suspension of individual pending finalization of disciplinary proceedings against him.

6. In the reference 9th read above, the Government have dropped further action against Sri Ravuri Venkata Subbaiah, the then Assistant Engineer (PR), as the charge framed against him is not held proved.

7. In the reference 10th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, has furnished the representation of Sri R.V. Subbaiah, the then Assistant Engineer (PR) for regularization of suspension period from 11.05.2022 to 24.05.2023 to Government, for taking further action in the mater.

8. The Government, after careful examination of the matter have decided to regularize the suspension period undergone by Sri Ravuri Venkata Subbaiah, the Assistant Engineer, PR and presently working as Mandal Engineering Officer, MP, Tripurantakam of Prakasam District w.e.f from 11.05.2022 to 24.05.2023 as "on duty" as the charge was held not proved in the inquiry and the suspension could not be justified.

9. Accordingly, the Government hereby order to treat the suspension period with effect from 11.05.2022 to 24.05.2023 in respect of Sri Ravuri Venkata Subbaiah, Assistant Engineer (PR) as "on duty" under FR 54-(B)(3)&(4) in the matter.

10. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada.
Sri Ravuri Venkata Subbaiah, the then Assistant Engineer, PR, Darsi and presently working as MEO, MP, Tripurantakam of Prakasam District
through the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada.

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